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4. [] JGO) Met with George Berdes, National Security Policy and Scientific Developments Subcommittee staff, House Foreign Affairs Committee, who told me that Chairman Zablocki had met during the week with Ambassador at Large U. Alexis Johnson and with Director Fred Ikle, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. The meetings were most satisfactory. He doesn't see anything further until responses from our allies are received on MBFR. In consequence, he does not expect that Chairman Zablocki will be expecting briefings at this time from Carl Duckett, DDS&T. See Journal of 19 September 1973.

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5. [] - JGO) After discussion with Lawrence Houston, OGC, and [] DD/Sec, made an appointment for 2:00 p.m. Thursday, 27 September, for an informal meeting with Herb Roback, Staff Director, House Government Operations Committee, on Southern Air Transport.

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6. [] - JMM) Met with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, and reviewed informally some material on possible amendments to legislation bearing on the Agency's domestic activities, protection of sources and methods, relationships with domestic law enforcement agencies and covert action authority. I explained to Braswell that the material on domestic activity, protection of sources and methods, and relations with domestic law enforcement agencies was also being provided to Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, in response to his pressing requests on behalf of Chairman Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, for at least informal Agency views on these matters. I said we assume that Nedzi would include recommendations regarding these points in the report of his Subcommittee hearings on possible Agency involvement in the Watergate and related matters. I added that it was our understanding that Stennis was particularly interested in clarifying the Agency covert action authority and I assumed Nedzi would not go into this subject, so I foresaw no conflict between the House Committee and the Senate Committee approach to our legislative problems. Braswell said Stennis had not been well this week and he doubted very much if he would be available for a meeting with Mr. Colby or have an opportunity to look into the problem of our legislation before next week.

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